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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents may be found, inter alia, in the English abstracts attached thereto.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	GROUP ART UNIT
09/178,680 09/276,667 09/553,857 09/472,125 09/666,605	10/26/98 03/26/99 04/21/00 12/23/99 09/20/00	2879 2879 2822 1775 2811

A copy of each cited Application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. 'All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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